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MINOR LOCAL MATTERS.

AFFAIRS CAUGHT BY OUR LOCAL REPORTER AND NOTED.

Written in Condensed Form and Printed in Like Manner for the Sake of our Weary Readers.

Mrs. Louis Stackley attended the Methodist conference in Florence last week.

The "crack!" of fireworks is heard on every side, and the small boy is supremely happy.

Miss Ossie Epps is one of the local editors of the Criterion, of the Columbia Female College.

For the lack of space we are forced to leave out several communications this week.

Quite a number of Williamsburgers are attending the Gala Week festivities in Charleston this week.

Rev. G. E. Stokes, a son-in-law of Dr. S. P. H. Elwell, preached in the Methodist church last Sunday morning and night.

Miss Maude Logan has returned from the mountains of western North Carolina, where she has been spending several months.

Mr. A. D. Covington, of Rosin, Fla., has been in Kingstree several days, hiring negroes to go to Florida and work on the turpentine farms. Several carloads have gone.

The "understanding of an e" of the registration law is now a thing of the past. Hereafter the property qualification or the ability to read and write will be a necessary prerequisite for registration.

The minutes of the recent meeting of the Southeast Baptist Association have been printed and are now ready for distribution. The work comprises 21 pages of matter and the neatness of its execution speaks well for the job department of the County Record. The clerk of the association wishes the clerks of the churches to call or send and get the books for distribution among the members of the respective churches.

The time for the payment of State and county taxes expires with the end of this month, so there are only 13 more days in which to attend to this matter. There is no chance of an extension and after January 1st the penalty of 15 per cent. will be added in every case. Treasurer Rollins is anxious to collect all the taxes before the end of the year, but unless they come in faster a great many will have to pay the penalty.

Messrs. Thomas & Bradham are going to erect a large frame building on the lot just back of Lesesne & Epps' store to be used as a livery and sale stable. The work will be commenced at once, and the building will be ready for occupancy by Jan. 1st. The building will be 35 x 105 feet, two stories. W. B. Adams, who has been here for some months past as manager for Thomas & Bradham, will still have the management of the business. We are glad to see this sign of enterprise on the part of the firm, and would like to see several other buildings go up.

Cotton is low, but prices at Reddick's Racket Store are lower. For the next sixty days Reddick will sell his large stock of shoes and men's hats at COST and his splendid stock of clothing at greatly reduced prices. Come and see that I am doing what I say I will do.

H. D. REDDICK

An Accident.

Last Monday night while Mr. A. O. Mouzon was returning with his family from a trip to Greeleyville, in a three seated back, a pretty severe accident occurred. The night was very dark, and when about the third bridge, just beyond Black river, where the chain-gang has been at work recently the horses fell into a deep hole, the vehicle and occupants going in on the top of them. Fortunately, no one was severely hurt, but all was very much shaken up. One of the horses was pretty badly injured, and the carriage considerably damaged. It seems that the chain-gang has recently changed the course of the road, and dug out the old road bed, but did not put any obstruction or anything to mark the change. So when the team came along there, no one in the vehicle knowing of the change, the whole thing was driven into the cavern.

Best Raisins for 10c at Reddick's.

All kinds of Christmas goods at Stackley's.

Hairs Wanted.

We are in receipt of the following postal card from Henry Mathren, Houston, Texas:

"Dear Sir:—We are looking for the heirs of Jesse Sitton; if you know of anyone by the name of Sitton, please hand them this card, with the request to write me. By so doing you will confer a great favor on yours, &c."

We do not know of any Sittons, but some of our readers might.

We trim all ladies' hairs, and do not handle trash. Come one; come all—Stackley.

Go all around and then come to Stackley's for your goods.

Editor, County Record:

Please insert in your next issue that the ladies of Lanes Baptist church will give a hot supper at the residence of Mr. W. L. Holaday, this place, on Tuesday night Dec 21st proceeds to be given to missions. The public is cordially invited to attend.

H. L. ORVIN.

Lanes, S. C. Dec. 12.

Our stock of millinery is complete—Stackley.

We are still headquarters for Christmas goods, and they will be sold cheap—Stackley.

Colored Ministers.

The following appointments of the colored South Carolina conference M. E. Church for this, Charleston, district have been made:

Charleston—Centenary, H. E. Frolock; Old Bethel, J. B. Middleton; Wesley, J. F. Page.

Cooper River, Daniel Brown; Georgetown and Waccamaw, R. Salters; Johns Island, J. R. Townsend; Kingstree, H. M. Murphy; Kingstree circuit, A. B. Franklin; Ladson and St James' W. R. Jervie; Lake City, G. W. Williams; Maysville and St Andrew's, W. Davis; Pinopolis, G. W. Shackelford; St John's S. Simmons; St Mary's, J. Lucas; St Thomas, A. H. Harrison; South Santee, C. B. Lowery; Washington and St Jude, N. T. Spencer.

Money is tight, and goods are very cheap at Stackley's.

A DOUBLE WEDDING.

BLOOMINGVALE BAPTIST CHURCH THE PLACE WHERE

Messrs. M. H. and W. G. Cantley, Jr., Brothers, and Misses Virginia and Minnie Pipkins, Sisters, are United.

Wednesday night, Dec. 8, 1897, at Bloomingvale Baptist church was contracted a very pretty double marriage. The grooms were brothers, and the brides were sisters. Revs. S. T. Russell and J. M. Weaver performed the ceremonies that made four bright young lives two, in the presence of about the largest concourse of people that has ever assembled in that building.

The church was beautifully decorated with cedars, holly &c., and the pure white costumes of brides and maids made altogether a charming picture.

The church was filled long before the hour of the marriage had arrived, and promptly at 7 o'clock the party entered, one couple and attendants coming up each aisle.

On the left was Mr. M. H. Cantley and Miss Virginia Pipkin, preceded by Mr. G. B. Mitchum with Miss Emma Boyd, while up the right aisle entered Mr. W. G. Cantley Jr., and Miss Minnie Pipkin; preceded by Mr. S. S. Tisdale with Miss Ellen Smith. Upon reaching the altar, the couples crossed the church, standing on opposite sides. Miss Leila Boyd played the wedding march. The ceremony was then performed by the officiating clergymen.

After the marriage, Mr. J. G. Pipkin, the father of the brides, gave the bridal party a supper, all manner of delicacies being served.

Go to Stackley's for your Christmas goods.

The Blue Pencil.

"To make a long story short—use the editor's blue pencil." The editor's "blue pencil" is the one that is used to "cut out" any objectional or superfluous matter that is sent in for insertion in the paper. The "blue pencil" is merely a technical term, the pencil not always being blue; but it is an indispensable adjunct to all newspaper offices. The Dodson Printers' Supply Co. has sent us a blue pencil, which was accompanied by a circular letter. The letter is so good that it is here reproduced:

"Your most potent safeguard, the best insurance against libel suits, and most satisfactory discourager of miscellaneous idiocy, is the blue pencil, freely used.

"Does the think-he-is-funny but colic correspondent send in some stupidly offensive joke on a neighbor, expecting it to creep in among the news items unawares—the vigilant Blue Pencil swoops down like a hawk and gleefully snatches the joke bald headed.

"Does a merchant, who never advertises, work an adv. for himself in a notice of his mother-in-law's funeral—the Blue Pencil steps in to preserve the proprieties, if for no more business-like reason.

"We believe a Blue Pencil is a good thing whether you need it or not, as the man said about his annual bath. We therefore enclose such a pencil herewith, for your use; and, very appropriately it is made of paper, not of wood."

Salters News,

Mr. J. A. Ferrell's fine new store is quite an improvement to our town.

Miss Lula Whitefield and Mrs. Mamie Davis, two of our most charming young ladies, are visiting in Florence.

Mrs. Mary Sparks, of Sumter, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. J. H. L. Chandler, left on the 8th for Gourdin.

Miss Ida Whitefield, one of Salters' fascinating young ladies, left on Friday last for Suttons, where she will spend some time with her sister, Mrs. E. J. Parker.

There were no services at the Methodist church on Sunday last, owing to the absence of the pastor Rev. B. C. Boulware, who was attending Conference in Florence.

Mr. Eddie McMary, of Kingstree, was "in town" during the latter part of last week.

Miss Beulah Gruber, who has been quite ill, is now convalescent.

Among those from Salters who will visit Charleston during "gala week" may be mentioned Mrs. J. A. Ferrell; Misses Mary Moseley, Maggie, and Lillian McCollough; Messrs. J. A. Ferrell, L. A. Whitefield, L. B. Ferrell and C. E. Moseley. That they may all enjoy themselves "highly" is the wish of

"MIDDEET."

Greeleyville Items.

We heard a few days ago that a test would be made of the law which prohibits the selling of partridges. Two sportsmen have each shipped one lot of birds from this place to Charleston. While some doubt the validity of the law, it should be observed or repealed if unconstitutional.

An encouraging sight to those who are trying to raise their own hogs was seen on our streets this week when the mallard Lumber Co. brought in a herd of very fine hogs from their lot in the woods. There were about twenty, some of which would probably weigh 300 pounds, net. The most of them were fat enough to kill.

The ginning season seems to be about over. Mr. Taylor only steams up two days in the week now, and then is not kept busy, both ginning and cleaning rice. Nixon and Campbell run regularly, but saw mostly. Each gin has had a prosperous season, sometime running till late at night.

We are glad to report that Mrs. W. F. Hogan is still improving, and we now have hopes of her recovery. This has been a most remarkable case. It seems as if God placed her beyond human power and then showed His omnipotence to show us how dependent we are on Him at all times. In dealing with His children, how wondrous are His ways.

Bethlehem Sunday School Institute.

The Bethlehem Sunday School Institute will meet with the Lake City Baptist church Saturday, Jan. 1st, 1898. The following is the programme:

Review of lessons of the previous quarter—J. B. Lewellen; What is the best method of encouraging liberal Sunday School contributions—Joel E. Brunson; How may we improve our Sunday school music?—B. F. Brockinton Sr.

Synopsis of the lessons of the coming quarter.—W. P. Ho'land. J. G. McCOLLOUGH, For Committee.

CONFERENCE APPOINTMENTS.

SEVERAL CHANGES IN THE FLORENCE DISTRICT.

Dr. Elwell sent to Charleston.—Rev. A. B. Earle Comes to Kingstree—Other Appointments.

The Methodist conference has removed Dr. S. P. H. Elwell from K. H. street to the Spring street church in Charleston. The Methodist congregation here, and, in fact, the entire community regret to lose Dr. Elwell. He is a most eloquent speaker, a lovable pastor, an excellent gentleman. To know him is to regard him with high esteem and to honor him. His departure after only one year's pastorate will cause genuine sorrow here.

Dr. Elwell's successor at this place will be Rev. A. B. Earle, who is now at Timmonsville. Rev. Earle is about 35 years of age, married and has three small children. He is a native of Spartanburg county, and is said to be a very fine gentleman. He will no doubt win the affections of the people here before he has been long in our midst.

Here is the complete list of appointments for this district:

Presiding elder, E. T. Hodges; Florence Station, W. R. Herbert; Darlington R. A. Child; Cheraw circuit, R. E. Mook; Hartsville, G. F. Clark; Clyde, J. S. Abercrombie; Darlington circuit, W. S. Martin; Lamar, J. M. Boyd; Timmonsville, R. W. Barber; Claussen M. H. Pooser; South Florence, R. M. Dubose; Scranton, J. W. Harris; Lake City, W. H. Kirton; Kingstree, A. B. Earle; Union, G. W. Davis; Lane's, J. A. Black; Salters, R. C. Boulware; Georgetown circuit, O. L. Durant and J. B. Weldow; Johnsonville, A. E. Holter.

We have a nice line of dress goods, shoes and trunks, cheap;—Stackley.

Indiantown Topics.

Indiantown is very quiet; crops are all in; the yield of corn has not been as large as was heretofore; some western corn will be used. The supply of bacon is never equal to the demand.

I am in hopes the cotton acreage will be materially decreased in the coming year, not only in our section but over the entire south.

If politics are rigidly excluded from the "cotton growers' association," some good may be derived from it.

We were very sorry to hear of the sad and untimely death of Miss Bessie Welch, which occurred just below here at Dock. She was a young lady of much promise, being one of the brightest and most accomplished teachers ever in this section. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved family.

Mr. Stuart Cunningham has severed his connection with this section. He went to Sumter a few days ago.

The Messrs. Stuckey, of Darlington, have recently bought the place of Rev. H. C. Haddock and will move down January 1st. We will welcome them.

Listen: If all reports are true, you'll hear the tinkle of wedding bells soon. Some of the Benson beaux are going below quite often. Well, we wish them great happiness. KLONDIKE.

Mark Twain's New Story.

Mark Twain's new humorous story, which he is now writing in Vienna, is to go to The Ladies' Home Journal, which magazine has also secured F. Marion Crawford's new story, which is a tale of the unreal, with the strikingly uncanny title of "The Dead Smile."



Writing to Santa Claus!

Every little child writes to Santa Claus. They all want nuts, raisins, fruit, candy, fireworks, and an hundred other things put into their stockings. All of these things we have, and at reasonable prices. Most merchants have

Higher Prices for Christmas trade, but

We Don't.

We only ask you to call and see us, and price our goods. Then compare our prices with those of others, and

See The Difference.

London Layer Raisins, Prepared Currents, Mixed Nuts, Citron

In greatest abundance, and cheap, too.

Stationery in plain and fancy styles. Prices are all right. Only call and we are sure that if you want anything you can be suited, both in style and price.

TOILET SOAP From 1 1/2c to 12 1/2c per cake. Our line is complete.

Finest Extracts

Two bottles in a fancy box, nicely packed; 50c a box. Makes a nice Christmas present. By the way; speaking of Christmas presents; a

"New Home"

Sewing machine would make an excellent present. When you go to select your presents come to our store, and we will show you some appropriate articles.

Heintz's Pickles

And Queen Olives in greatest variety. Just call and look over our stock.

We have an immense stock of finest

Gilt Edge Butter.

It is fine. Try a pound of it. You will be pleased. If you or your boy want a

Pocket Knife

Just call and see our line. All the celebrated makes at the lowest possible prices.

Of course, every one must wear

SHOES

Our line of shoes is large and complete. Prices right. Just call and see us before buying your shoes.

CARROMS,

A New Parlor Game.

Fascinating to Old and Young. It is the very latest game. Cheap, and everlasting. A scientific game. Just see it! Don't let Christmas pass without buying a board for Carroms. You will get more genuine enjoyment out of a game of Carroms than from anything else. Be sure to call and see it.

Lesesne & Epps.